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Chair's Message

Greetings CURC Members and Friends!

Since the last newsletter, the CURC Board has gone through some transition. With tremendous gratitude, the Board thanks members who completed their terms in June: Christine VonKolnitz Cooley (MUSC), Lin King (UC Berkeley) and Ophelia Morris (University of Manitoba). CURC has greatly benefitted from their efforts and service on behalf of the organization and the campus leaders and professionals it represents.

In turn, the Board welcomes two new members, Jenna Jambeck from the University of Georgia and Larry Cook from the University of South Carolina. Both Jenna and Larry bring a remarkable level of professionalism and skill. Learn more about them in this month's article.

We are continuing to work on strengthening our network for campuses by engaging in other industry events this year, such as the Collegiate Sustainability Sports Summit and the U.S. Zero Waste Business Council Conference. Additionally, we have also invited representatives from RecycleMania and the Post-Landfill Action Network to serve in ex-officio positions of the Board.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Spring CURC Workshop in Charleston, NC. Your participation made the event a great success. We look forward to convening again for the Fall CURC Workshop in Minneapolis, MN as well as for an annual Board retreat and the AASHE Conference. We hope to see you there!

Happy Summer!

Robyn Hathcock, CURC Chair
University of Oregon Zero Waste Program

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CURC Zero Waste Workshop at AASHE



ZERO WASTE WORKSHOP
OCTOBER 25, 2015

CURC is gearing up for its Fall Workshop in Minneapolis. Registration is open to both workshop-only participants who would like to attend it as a regional workshop or for those also attending the AASHE conference. Please join us for a full day of stimulating discussion, innovative ideas and camaraderie.

Learn more about the workshop [or register here](#).

The Fall CURC Workshop is possible through the generous support from our sponsors.

Register on the New CURC Website

Remember to register and create a profile on the new CURC website, www.curc3r.org. We changed website platforms this year, requiring all previously registered members to create new profiles. Take a moment to register and enjoy access to member-only content such as archive webinars and the member directory.

Upcoming CURC Webinar



Learning From Experience | August 13 | 1-2:30pm ET

Case studies of how campuses have revamped outdated or under-performing collection bin infrastructure

Collection systems are not forever. Recycling and organics recovery efforts have to stay current with industry trends and the needs of the campus. This program will highlight examples of universities that have revamped or in some cases started from scratch to remodel collection programs to improve recovery going forward. Presentations will include office file clear out (University of South Carolina), introducing Big Belly collection bins (UC Merced), collecting coffee grounds (Arizona State) and creating a campus-wide style, label and color standard for recycling bins (George Washington University).

Presenters:

-**Larry Cooper**, Recycling Coordinator, *University of South Carolina*

-**Kris Ferguson**, Recycling Coordinator, *George Washington University*

-**Matthew Hirota**, Waste Reduction Recycling Coordinator, *University of California, Merced*

-**Joshua Ellner**, Recycling Technician, *Arizona State University*

-**Alec Cooley**, Director, Recycling Programs, *Keep America Beautiful*

[Click here to register](#)

Other Events



6th Annual Conference

Resource Recycling

September 28-30, 2015 - Indianapolis Marriott Downtown,
Indianapolis, IN



2nd Annual Students for Zero Waste Conference
Post Landfill Action Network Conference
October 9-10, 2015 - University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

Feature Article: Welcome New CURC Board Members

The CURC board recently welcomed two new members who are excited to serve and help our organization, each bringing a unique perspective to the board. Jenna Jambeck is the first academic board member of CURC. She hopes to bridge her research in solid waste management and recycling to the operations in her daily environment, the university campus. Larry Cook is Recycling Coordinator in the Facilities Department at the University of South Carolina and brings to the CURC Board a history of non-profit organization and resource conservation experience. More details on each new board member follow.

Jenna Jambeck is an associate professor in the College of Engineering at the University of Georgia. Dr. Jambeck conducts research and teaches environmental engineering with a focus on solid waste. Her work often interweaves social context and sciences with technical aspects. Dr. Jenna Jambeck received her Ph.D. in environmental engineering from the University of Florida in 2004. She then worked for the U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development in Research Triangle Park, N.C. as an ORISE post-doc. She became a research professor at the University of New Hampshire and then moved to the University of Georgia in 2009. She has been conducting research on solid waste issues for 19 years with projects focused on recycling of construction and demolition debris and municipal solid waste. She has also had related projects on marine debris since 2001, especially projects related to location and spatial analysis of debris, debris quantification and characterization, and technology/mobile device usage (mapping, etc.). She also specializes in global waste management issues and plastic pollution. In November 2014 she sailed across the Atlantic Ocean with 13 other women in eXXpedition to sample land and open ocean plastic and encourage women to enter STEM disciplines. She was principal investigator of the NOAA partnership the Southeast Atlantic Marine Debris Initiative (SEA-MDI) and co-developer of the mobile app Marine Debris Tracker, a tool currently being used in a global citizen science initiative to log marine debris throughout the world. She was recently published in Science quantifying the global annual input of plastic into the ocean from solid waste management activities on land. More on Dr. Jambeck and her projects can be found here: <http://jambeck.engr.uga.edu/> or on Twitter @JambeckResearch, @DebrisTracker or Facebook.

Larry Cook began as Recycling Coordinator at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC in 2012. Larry first became excited about recycling and waste diversion as a student at The University of the South: Sewanee and as a member of the student group Waste Not. At South Carolina, Larry inherited the management of a recycling program that faces challenges common to many CURC members including the lack of a clear, concise, and consistent message on how to recycle across campus. Larry has spearheaded many new initiatives to standardize collection across campus, improve educational programming, expand access to recycling, and foster collaboration between University units. In addition to working to improve access to and the efficacy of University of South Carolina's waste reduction and

diversion operations, Larry works regularly with the University's Office of Sustainability and student groups including the University EcoReps and Sustainable Carolina to further the University's commitment to continuous improvement in demonstrating institutional practices that promote sustainability. Prior to his current position at South Carolina, Larry was Executive Director of the North Chickamauga Creek Conservancy in Chattanooga, TN. As Executive Director, Larry worked on a wide variety of conservation projects including backcountry and greenway trail development, water quality restoration, land conservation, and invasive species abatement. University of South Carolina's Recycling Program can be found online at www.facilities.sc.edu/recycle; on facebook at www.facebook.com/carolinarecycling, or on Instagram at www.instagram.com/carolinarecycling.